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C O N F I D E N T I A L PANAMA 4053

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SUBJ: SALE OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO PANAMANIAN NATIONAL GUARD.

REF: SECSTATE 150661.

1) I RECOMMEND PANAMA PURSUE ITS INTEREST IN THE ACQUISITION OF M-16 RIFLES THROUGH COMMERCIAL CHANNELS AS IT NOW DOING WITH COLT INDUSTRIES AT OUR SUGGESTION. ALTHOUGH PANAMA MAY PRESS FOR ACQUISITION OF THESE REPLACEMENT WEAPONS ON A HIGH PRIORITY POLITICAL OR SECURITY BASIS, IT HAS NOT DONE SO. IF IT DOES WE CAN DEAL WITH THE ISSUE AT THE TIME. I DO NOT CONSIDER THE REQUEST AT THIS TIME OF SUFFICIENT IMPORTANCE TO RECOMMEND AN EXCEPTION.

2) I AM NOT AWARE THAT PANAMA HAS BEEN ACQUIRING WEAPONS IN THE U.S. ON A COMMERCIAL BASIS. IT PURCHASED WEAPONS IN BELGIUM IN 1969 WHEN WE DECLINED TO SELL TO PANAMA.
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